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Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, home of the 82nd Training Wing and 80th Flying Training Wing

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Quotable quote

"Be vigilant. Be sensitive to the possibility [of another terrorist attack]. Be aware of the alert system. When we do put out alerts, those are the ones that you want to pay attention to."— Vice President Dick Cheney



Keep the Streets Safe

Tech. Sgt. Scott Koenicke, an individual mobilization augmentee with the 82nd Security Forces Squadron, patrols the Bunker Hill housing area Tuesday. Security forces personnel randomly patrol the housing areas on base for signs of suspicious activity. People both on and off base need to be constantly alert and aware of their surroundings. Any suspicious actions should always be reported to security forces when on base or local law enforcement officials when off base. For more tips on how to maintain work place and personal security and other general information on force protection, see Page 4. (Photo by Mike McKito)

Officials delaying promotion release lists

By Master Sgt. Ron Tull

Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — Air Force people patiently waiting to find out how they did on their promotion tests for staff, technical and master sergeant will have to wait a little longer.

The promotion selectee lists for E-6 and E-7 are normally targeted for release on the first Thursday in June but will instead be released June 27. The E-5 list release date, usually the first Wednesday in August, is now Aug. 14.

The high operations tempo since Sept. 11 meant that many of those eligible for promotion were delayed

when it came time to test for their next stripe, said Chief Master Sgt. Carol Dockery, chief of enlisted evaluations and promotions at the Pentagon.

The overriding goal, said Senior Master Sgt. Nathalie Swisher, chief of the enlisted promotion management section at the Air Force Personnel Center, must be to consider every non-commissioned officer possible in the original selection run and reduce the number of supplemental actions down the road.

"That's the main reason for the delayed announcements," she said.

While a small percentage of stripes

are always held back for late-comers, many people eligible for promotion to technical and master sergeant are still "nonweighable," meaning they are eligible for promotion but do not have a test on file.

"The delay will give more people, who could not test on time because they were deployed, the opportunity to compete with the majority of their peers instead of having to go through the supplemental process," Sergeant Swisher said.

"The Air Force's target goal for nonweighables when it comes time for



Brig. Gen. Arthur Rooney Jr. speaks to the non-prior service students in the 365th Training Squadron and congratulates them for going 100 days without an incident involving driving under the influence. (Photo by Mike McKito)

Little League Opening Ceremony

There was a speaker from down town who spoke during the Little League opening ceremony. He used profanity in front of 200 children and was very rude to the parents. Obviously they need to take a little more consideration into who they pick to speak at these functions.

You're right. That language is unacceptable and that individual's days of speaking at Sheppard are over.

Water Fountain

About 2 years ago a really nice playground was installed

at the end of Anderson Street in Wherry housing, but something troubles me. The really nice water fountain that was installed at the same time has never worked. Is there a logical reason why it wasn't connected to a water line or was it just an oversight on someone's part?

It would be really nice if it could be connected before the hot summer days are upon us. I love taking my two children there. It's such a short distance from my house, but sometimes we forget to bring drinks and it would be a nice added convenience.

The water fountain in Wherry Park was turned off last fall and winterized. It has now been turned back on. Thank you for the

Action Line 676-2000, action.line@sheppard.af.mil

The 82nd Training Wing's Action Line is your direct line to me for any concerns and suggestions you have. I am personally involved in every reply, and I am committed to making Sheppard AFB a better place to live, work and play. Before you call the Action Line, however, I ask that you give your chain of command or other base agencies an opportunity to work your concerns. If you still do not receive a satisfactory response, call me at 676-2000, or send an e-mail to

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reminder.

Garbage Pick Up

The garbage cans in the community park located at the corner of Roden and Anderson in Wherry housing have not been emptied for some time. I have called several different offices on base, and no one seems to know who has responsibility for dumping these trash cans. Can you please find out who is responsible?

Thanks for bringing this problem to my attention. The Base Litter Patrol program is a means of ensuring cleanliness of the entire base. There will be an immediate increase in coverage.

AADD

Need a lift? Call the Airmen Against Drunk Driving hotline at 676-AADD (2233). Every Friday and Saturday night from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., drivers are available for Team Sheppard members who need a ride home after drinking. Drivers will ask no questions and take no information, and they will not release the name of any person using this program. Don't risk your life or your career. Cut out this reminder and put in your wallet:

For a ride home after a night out, call 676-AADD

Want to quit smoking? Ask about smoking cessation classes at 6-4292.

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Jumper selects next chief master sergeant of the Air Force



WASHINGTON (AFPN) — Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper named Chief Master Sgt.

Gerald R. Murray on May 24 to serve as the 14th chief master sergeant of the Air Force.

Murray will assume his new position July 1, following the June 28 retirement of Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Jim Finch. Finch's retirement culminates 28 years of service to the Air Force.

Jumper said the selection process was a difficult one.

"The selection was difficult because the candidates

were all so exceptionally qualified," the general said. "The Air Force is fortunate to have someone of Murray's caliber leading our enlisted force during this exciting time in our service's history.

"His valuable experience and proven leadership will play a pivotal role in the Air Force's future," Jumper said. "I look forward to working with him on matters of importance to the enlisted force and their families."

Murray, who joined the Air Force in October 1977, is currently the command chief master sergeant for Pacific Air Forces. His career includes various assignments in aircraft maintenance and as the command

chief master sergeant for the 347th Wing at Moody Air Force Base, Ga., as well as U.S. Forces Japan and 5th Air Force, both located at Yokota Air Base, Japan.

The office of the chief master sergeant of the Air Force represents the highest enlisted level of leadership, provides direction for the enlisted corps and represents their interests to the American public and all levels of government. The CMSAF serves as a personal adviser to the Air Force chief of staff and secretary of the Air Force on issues regarding the welfare, readiness, morale, proper utilization and progress of the enlisted force and their families.



Chief Master Sgt. Gerald R. Murray

Finance experts offer help through new center

AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER — The Air Force's military personnel customer help line now has finance experts on-site for quicker resolution of military pay concerns, as part of a new senior leaders' push to dramatically reduce pay problems for airmen.

The Air Force Personnel Contact Center has also expanded its hours to 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. Central Standard Time and has added a new e-mail address for pay and other personnel questions: contact.center@randolph.af.mil.

"We've had great cooperation from our friends in finance all along, but this takes us another step closer to one-stop shopping for people with pay or personnel problems," said Lt. Col. David Zeh, chief of the contact center here.

"Having their technicians

referring calls directly to finance and pay experts should get people better answers faster. We're excited about this," the colonel said.

The contact center, which can also be reached by phone at DSN 665-2949 or toll-free (800) 558-1404, has been helping more than 1,300 people a week and resolving 95 percent of those problems within a day or two.

A few hundred of those calls per week are about things that affect pay, the colonel said. And having the finance technicians on-site should not only speed up answers to new callers, but also add in efforts to correct backlogged problems, he said.

"This is good news for people with problems," Colonel Zeh said. "We'll keep this set-up as long as we need to." (AFPC is located at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas.)



Bike to Work

Col. Ralph Jodice, 80th Flying Training Wing commander, rides his bike to work. Today is the second day of Bicycling Magazine's Bike to Work Challenge (*no federal endorsement of sponsor intended*). One-mile, five-mile and 20-mile routes are designated on base. Sign-in clipboards will be available at all entry gates for riders to record mileage. For more information, call Maj. Pat Testerman at 6-2240. (Courtesy photo)

Terrorism still real threat

Terrorism is defined as the calculated use of violence or threat of violence to include fear, intended to intimidate government or societies in the pursuit of goals that are generally political, religious or ideological.

It is not just an overseas problem. As the World Trade Center and Pentagon attacks show, it can strike anywhere in America.

Terrorism can be international or domestic. Militia movement members, street gangs, criminals, mentally disturbed and disgruntled employees can all be considered terrorists.

There are relatively simple ways to decrease your chances of become a target or victim of terrorism. Here are some examples:

* Terrorists carefully plan their operations, using time as their greatest asset. They will attack or seize what they consider a "soft target."

* Unpredictability in daily activities increases your survival chances against criminal and terrorist acts.

* Although your workplace is located in the civilian community, consider using random antiterrorism measures as an affordable

and easy way of increasing unpredictability/security.

Situational awareness is also a key to survival. Know where and to whom to go to for information or help.

Also, obtain necessary travel advisories prior to traveling on leave or going TDY. There are many Web sites available to obtain information on organized gangs, militia, hate and international terrorist groups that may be operating in your area. The security forces and Air Force Office of Special Investigations have resources available to help make you smarter on the location you will be working in.

Keep in mind that things like attending church at the same time, establishing a set schedule for favorite activities and scheduling meetings at the same time create behavior that make you and your family more predictable and a soft target.

The threat is real. Timely and accurate reporting of suspicious activities to the authorities may prevent a criminal or terrorist act from occurring. *(Courtesy of Air Education Training Command Security Forces)*



Neighborhood Patrol

Members of the 82nd Security Forces Squadron drive through a neighborhood in the Bunker Hill housing area. Random patrols keep a watchful eye across the base. *(Photo by Mike McKito)*

Tips to maintain personal security

Whether at home, traveling together or separated for a short period of time, you want to be secure and want your family to be as well.

The tips below provide protection from and awareness of terrorist and criminal threats. They can be applied in any environment.

At home:

◆ Leave an extra key with a trusted neighbor or nearby relative.

◆ If you are traveling, either TDY or on vacation, stop your home deliveries, such as newspaper and mail.

◆ Get to know the people who live in your neighborhood.

◆ Do not be afraid to get involved and call police when you see something suspicious.

◆ Do not leave a second car in the same spot for a week. Have a neighbor move it.

◆ A family rarely goes a week without generating

trash. Have a neighbor place your trash can out for pick up and even place trash in it.

◆ Consider timers for interior and exterior lights.

Going TDY alone:

◆ Make sure your family knows how to contact you.

◆ Have a dead bolt and peephole installed on exterior doors for added security.

◆ Make sure outside lights work.

◆ Check interior window locks.

◆ Keep drapes and curtains closed, and instruct your family not to draw attention to the fact you are away.

◆ Be suspicious of public works crews, meter readers, etc. Always demand identification before opening doors.

◆ Write down license plates and vehicle information for suspicious vehicles you notice in the area.

◆ Instruct young children how to summon help.

Suspicious letters and packages:

◆ Do not shake or submerge packages or letters in water.

◆ Do not open!!!

◆ Contact the police or fire department immediately if you suspect something is wrong and follow their instructions.

◆ Indicators of possible mail or package bombs are:

- No return address.
- Excessive postage.
- Abnormal size and/or weight.

- Oily stains on the wrapping or package.

- Wires or strings protruding from or attached to the package/letter.

- Different return address than the postmark.

- Misspellings on the package.

- Peculiar odors, such as almonds or shoe polish *(Courtesy of Air Education Training Command Security Forces)*

**Remember:
Every airman –
every person –
is a sensor.
Be vigilant.**

Government Travel Card Program makes TDYs easier

The Government Travel Card Program, an individual VISA card issued by Bank of America, has been around for several years and proven to be a great benefit to travelers.

No longer do you have to waste your time going to the customer service section at the comptroller squadron to get a travel advance and then worry about losing that large sum of cash. Now, if you need cash for incidental official travel expenses, you simply

go to the nearest automatic teller machine virtually anywhere in the world and get the cash you need when you need it.

Most of your expenses, including lodging, rental cars, airline tickets and meals, can be purchased directly with your Bank of America VISA Travel Card, which further cuts down on the amount of cash you need to carry with you.

There is a program called split disbursement that will

assist you to pay off your travel expenses.

Effective immediately, it is Air Education Training Command policy to implement default split disbursement for all transportation, lodging and rental car expenses. This portion of the travel settlement will be forwarded to Bank of America automatically for you.

The remainder of any entitlement associated with meals and other included expenses can be sent to the

traveler or Bank of America at the traveler's discretion.

However, the traveler may elect, and is encouraged, to specify the total amount required to settle the traveler's account. Split disbursement allows for quick, easy payment of official expenses.

Remember, for those of you with a government travel card, its use is mandatory when traveling on official business, and the card must be used for offi-

cial travel expenses only. The card is a tool for the government traveler, and it is now easier and more convenient to pay off your travel expenses.

For more information about split disbursement, contact your unit Government Travel Card Program Agency Program coordinator or the customer service section at the 82nd Comptroller Squadron. *(Courtesy of the 82nd Comptroller Squadron)*

Briefs

All ranks day

The airman's attic will hold an all ranks day Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Army Birthday Ball

The first Sheppard Army Birthday Ball will take place at 7 p.m., June 14 at the Radisson in Wichita Falls. Designed to honor the Army's 227th birthday, the event is open to all members of the Sheppard community. Anyone who wishes to attend can call Sgt. Jones at 6-3975 or Sgt. 1st Class Matthews at 6-8174. The deadline to request tickets is today. Ticket cost is \$25.

HHC meeting

The Hispanic Heritage Committee invites all of Team Sheppard to attend their monthly meeting June 14 at 11 a.m. at the enlisted club. Also, the HHC has immediate vacancies for the positions of treasurer and secretary. Base personnel are encouraged to come out and share their ideas on how to bring cultural awareness and celebration of Hispanic culture to the Sheppard community. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Stewart Frazier, Master Sgt. Marlon Pesantez or Staff Sgt. Dora Diaz at 6-3310, 6-4125 or 6-7468.

Notes from TMO

The traffic management office reminds Sheppard members that orders are not required to schedule counseling appointments. Once assignment notification has been received, members should come to TMO as soon as possible.

May through September is the peak season for moving. Appointments are rapidly filling, thus making it difficult for people to get the pick-up dates they desire.

82nd CS complaints

The goal of the 82nd Communications Squadron is to provide Sheppard with reliable and timely service. Those who are not satisfied with their service can file an Air Force Form 714, Customer Complaint Record. For more information, call 6-2054 or 6-5581.

Humane Society non-cash donations

Volunteers from the 364th Training Squadron will be collecting non-cash donations for the Wichita Falls Humane Society today and June 14 at the commissary. Items needed include dry and canned cat food, dry dog food, cat litter, towels, sheets, powdered laundry detergent, paper towels, bleach, hand soap and hand sanitizer.

Asian/Pacific Islander grand festival

There will be a festival in honor of Asian/Pacific Islander Month today from 6:30-9 p.m. at the officers club. Dress is casual or native attire, and heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. The festival will include door prizes, a fashion show, cultural dancing and performances and martial art demos. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Paul Dulin at 6-2360.



With spring changing to summer, people are reminded to be cautious while around water, whether swimming, boating or jet skiing.

Unfortunately, each summer there seems to be boating mishaps in the news. Disabling injuries or even a loss of life can result from an unsafe act or situation.

In 1999, national statistics revealed that 4,612 injuries and 815 fatalities, including 574 drownings, resulted from 8,061 recreational boating mishaps in one year. Some of the categories for those fatalities include a fall overboard, capsizing, skier mishap and running aground.

Air Force water-related mishaps are on the rise. In 1999, there were two water deaths and 10 serious water-related injuries. In 2000, there were two deaths with 28 water-related injuries. Last year, there were four water-related deaths with 30 water-related injuries.

Drinking alcohol while operating watercraft has the same effect as drinking and driving. Most drowning mishaps could have been avoided if the victims had been wearing a life preserver.

Carefully consider what you plan to do this summer during off-duty time. Vacations should be relaxing, not tragic. Use personal risk management to ensure you are around to enjoy life.

*(Courtesy of the
82nd Training Wing
safety office)*

Protocol NCO plans, coordinates distinguished visitors' itineraries

By Tech. Sgt. Bob Blausner

Operation Northern Watch Combined Information Bureau

INCIRLIK AIR BASE, Turkey – Spit-shining our boots, tidying up our work centers and policing around our buildings for the most minute trace of litter are just a few things we do in preparation for a distinguished visitor.

Although some people might cringe at the mere thought of a DV visit, there's one person assigned to Operation Northern Watch who loves these visits because planning them is her job.

Staff Sgt. Glenda Ide, on temporary duty here for 90 days from the 361st Military Training Flight at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, is the protocol non-commissioned officer assigned to ONW.

Although she's an information manager by trade, Sergeant Ide said she was selected for this TDY because she had prior staff support and protocol experience.

Sergeant Ide started working in the headquarters mailroom in the Pentagon, then she transferred over to the orderly room located at Bolling for three years until a position opened up in protocol in 1998.

Following her protocol assignment, Sergeant Ide worked as the executive assistant to the vice commander at Bolling. She said the wing-level experience gained there definitely helps her in protocol here.

Her duties here include planning all the behind the scene

aspects of a DV visit, from obtaining gate passes, cell phones, and billeting rooms, to setting up seating charts and coordinating itineraries for the visit.

Laurie McCoy, chief of ONW protocol TDY here from Spangdahlem Air Base, likened protocol's role to an orchestra conductor: coordinating all the details, making sure everyone knows their part, and then standing back and directing once the event is set in motion.

"(Sergeant Ide) makes sure people are where they need to be when they need to be there, and that we're running on time," Ms. McCoy said. "She takes on a full-fledged maestro role when she's with one of her visits."

Although each visit is different, Sergeant Ide said her mis-

sion is to coordinate each one so that incoming DVs understand what we do here at ONW.

"We get them out to the flight line, we get them out to the CAOC, and we get the briefings that are necessary so they have a better understanding of what we do," she said.

Given the opportunity, Sergeant Ide said she wouldn't mind working protocol again in the future.

"Protocol is one of the most rewarding jobs," she said. "Sure there are things that go wrong, and you never have a visit that is absolutely perfect, but you can see from start to finish exactly what you're doing; and it's almost always positive."



Staff Sgt. Glenda Ide prepares a room for a distinguished visitor's stay. (Courtesy photo)

Countdown to the ORI: 30 more days to prepare

Day 30: Safety Program

Review what you did on Day 75. Recheck your documentation, are your AF Forms 55 filled out properly? Re-check hazardous material storage, handling and disposal procedures—is everyone following the requirements? Relook at your storage sheds. Have you disposed of hazardous material that you no longer need – did you follow correct procedures, and did you document what was needed? Have you corrected any discrepancies you found back on Day 75? Can all of your newly assigned personnel answer specific questions concerning solvent, grease or whatever else is in the storage locker? Do all your people know

how to find first aid kits and fire extinguishers? Do they know the procedures to use them?

Day 29: Programs and problems

Go back to what you did on Day 68. What areas were your people weak in understanding? What programs have only had 40 days of operating under correct guidance (in other words, what areas did you find deficient 6 weeks ago)? Have these programs improved, or are they still struggling? Do you need to change who is performing duties for these problem programs? Do you need to assign extra help? Look at those with additional duties – do they need help with their programs? Work

these issues now.

Day 28: Training follow-up

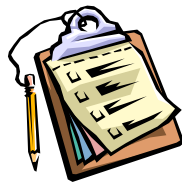
See Day 39. Ensure everybody is now scheduled for and will receive all required training prior to Day 20. Don't let anything slip by – find out who's going TDY, on leave or scheduled something in conflict with this objective and deconflict it.

Day 27: Continuity folders

Check to see that they are laid out as per the unit commander's letter on the subject. This is the document that will speak for you if you are TDY or just not available. This is an important tool – handle it accordingly.

Day 26: Publications review

It's been ten days since the last check. Are there any changes lying around in distribution containers? Do personal publications match the mater index? Any pubs not needed should be removed. We tend to accumulate things we don't need. Let's get rid of those three-year-old Airman's magazines, TIG briefs, etc.



Student Stuff

Happenings on base and in the community

Student center events

Every Monday, 6-8 p.m. - spade tournament

Every Monday, 6-8 p.m. - jam session, bring your own instrument/equipment.

Every Tuesday, 5-8:30 p.m. - Country Video Night in the pub.

Every Wednesday, 7-9 p.m. - Variety Dance Night in the pub. Listen to Latin, hip-hop and R&B.

Every Thursday, 5-9 p.m. - Video Night in the pub.

Every Friday and Saturday, 7-11:30 p.m. Club BDU

Every Sunday, 3-5 p.m. - billiards tournament in the pub.

Hours of Operation

Mon-Thurs: 10:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Friday and Saturday: 10:30 a.m. to 1 a.m.

Sunday: Noon to 10 p.m.
Holidays: Noon to 8 p.m.

Collectibles show

The student center will host a card and collectibles show Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. Participants can visit vendor booths featuring sports cards, comics and all types of collectibles. Vendors may purchase booths for \$10. For more information, call Lisa Christman at 6-2491.

Chapel Events

Sheppard chapels offer a variety of programs for student enrichment:

Saturday

On Saturday, all students are invited to the "Solid Rock Cafe" held each Saturday at the south chapel. Dinner is served at 5 p.m., and a variety of scheduled activities take place from 4-9 p.m.

Tuesday

Base chaplains offer help-

ful classes every Tuesday, 2-4 p.m., in the north chapel for students awaiting training or those having already graduated.

Sunday

Students are invited to the north chapel at 5 p.m. on Sundays for Bible study, an informal get-together with refreshments and student-led music, ending with athletic activities at the north fitness center.

Other Events

Long drive contest

Wind Creek Golf Course will host a students' long drive contest June 16 beginning at noon. The deadline to sign up is June 14. For more information, contest rules and registration, stop by Wind Creek Golf Course, or call 6-6369. This event is open only to non-prior service students.

Student views: military standards should be upheld by all in blue

By Airman 1st Class Andrew Swartzberg

360th Training Squadron

Americans hold their leaders and their protectors to a higher standard than they would a person working in the civilian world. We are here to protect and serve our country, to preserve the freedom so many have died to obtain.

Americans trust us with their lives and freedom. We are supposed to be intelligent, organized, attentive to detail, and most importantly, willing to give our lives to protect our country. We must project an image of organization, integrity, motivation and excellence.

However, like many things in life, you can't judge a book by its cover. Why, if we are trying to project this image, does it seem that some of us cannot practice it in our everyday operation? If we are going to preach the standard, why are we not always practicing the stan-

dard? We are asked to uphold three core values while in this Air Force. It upsets and embarrasses me to see some airmen of all ranks everyday not upholding our core values: integrity first, excellence in all we do and service before self.

Every single member of the Air Force should uphold these values and hold others accountable to these values. This means always giving it your all, no matter what the task.

We need to stop preaching the higher standard and begin practicing that standard.

Why is it that I feel people are just trying to project an image as opposed to actually living it and being it? Some people want to merely put on a front and not actually uphold the standards the American people hold them

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TWIG

The wing inspector general

Fraud, waste and abuse – what is it, who should report it, and what number do you call? These are all valid questions regarding a program that we hear a lot about but have not used because we don't know the answers.

What is fraud, waste and abuse? The definitions of these often-used words are very specific and can be found in AFI 90-301, Inspector General Complaints.

Fraud: Intentional deceptions to unlawfully deprive the Air Force of something of value or to secure a benefit, privilege or consideration to which they are not entitled.

Waste: The extravagant, careless, or needless expenditure of Air Force funds or the consumption of Air Force property that results from deficient practices, systems controls or decisions.

Abuse: Intentionally wrongful or improper use of Air Force resources.

Who is responsible for reporting incidents of fraud, waste or abuse? We're all responsible whether we be military, civilian, retiree or dependent. In these days

of budget constraints, FW&A can quickly reduce our operating funds, and corrections can only be made if someone speaks up.

Where is this responsibility levied on us? You can find that as number eleven of the Fourteen Principles of Government Service included in the Joint Ethics Regulation.

Who do you call? The IG office is responsible for the FW&A, so give us a call. The number for the 82 TRW/IG is 676-2031 and the 80 FTW/IG is 676-2883. We also maintain a special line with an answering machine at 6-2222.

When you leave a message, please provide as much information as possible. You may remain anonymous if you wish, but we have a confidentiality policy. It helps us get more information if we have someone to talk to.

If it is an issue for a higher level of command, the numbers for the HQ AETC Hotline are DSN 487-4460; AF Hotline, (800) 538-8429; DoD Hotline, (800) 424-9098. *(Courtesy of the 82nd Training Wing Inspector General)*

Have a safe summer. Practice ORM.

See Sheppard Scenes, Page 16, for information on events at Services facilities, the base movie theater schedule and the chapel schedule.



Adopt-a-Highway

Airman Cole Robirds, Airman 1st Class Matos Cardona and Airman 1st Class Terrence Tarleton Jr. (above), all from the 363rd Training Squadron, clean up litter along FM 890 as part of the Adopt-a-Highway program. The 363rd TRS, in cooperation with the Wichita Falls community, has been performing the Adopt-a-Highway program since 1996. The average amount of litter that is picked up is about 1,200 lbs. per walk. Airman Bo Gardner, 80th Operations Support Squadron (right), is also contributing to the highway clean-up effort. The 80th Flying Training Wing has adopted a two-mile stretch of highway where they regularly pick up litter. *(Above photo by Sandra Wassenmiller. Right photo by Mike McKito)*



**Be
smart.
Stay
safe.
Don't
drink
and
drive!**

Change of command for 82nd CS

By Chief Master Sgt. Delia Cogar

82nd Communications Squadron

The 82nd Communications Squadron will host its change of command ceremony on June 6 at 9 a.m. in the community center ballroom.

Maj. Douglas Halsell will assume command of the 82nd CS from Lt. Col. Lee Bodenhausen.

Lieutenant Colonel Bodenhausen leaves Sheppard on reassignment to Langley Air Force Base, Va., where he will assume duties as deputy division chief of network operations, Headquarters Air Combat Command.

Major Douglas Halsell comes to Sheppard from Scott Air Force Base, Ill., where he served as executive officer to the director of communications and information, Headquarters Air Mobility Command.

Major Halsell received his bachelor's degree in business administration with a major in computer information systems and quantitative business analysis in 1986 from Baylor University in Waco, Texas. In 1996, he received his Master of Business Administration from the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Major Halsell was commissioned through the Reserve Officer Training Corps at Baylor University on May 16, 1986. After completing the Basic Communications Officer Course at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss. in March 1987, he was assigned to the 607th Tactical Control Training Squadron at Luke Air Force Base, Ariz., as a communications maintenance sup-

port officer. In September 1991, Major Halsell moved to Headquarters Strategic Air Command and then USSTRATCOM at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb. In July 1996, he was assigned as chief of intelligence systems certifications, then commander, Information Protection Flight, Headquarters Air Intelligence Agency, Kelly Air Force Base, Texas. In November 1999, he was assigned as the Software Engineering Flight commander within Headquarters AMC's Com-

puter Systems Squadron.

Major Halsell's military decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

He is married to the former Susan Wells of Fort Worth, Texas. They have two children, Mikayla and Daniel.

82nd LS to change hands

The 82nd Logistics Squadron will hold a change of command ceremony today at 10 a.m. at the officers club.

Maj. Bryan Swecker will relinquish command of the 82nd LS to Maj. Michael Fitzgerald.

Major Swecker will be heading to Yong San AIN, Korea, where he will be assigned to the LCS program manager within a joint headquar-

ters. He will be responsible for the development, negotiation and execution of a \$71 million LCS program.

Major Fitzgerald will come to Sheppard from Headquarters Air Education and Training Command at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, where he was assigned to logistics plans. *(Courtesy of the 82nd Logistics Squadron)*

Soundoff

What movie are you
looking forward to seeing
this summer?



"Spiderman."
~Senior Master Sgt. Len
Nauman, JA



"Men in Black II."
~Lt. Col. Ed Brownstein,
88th Flying Training Squad-
ron



"The New Guy."
~Ashawnta Butler, Base
Exchange Sales Associate



"Spiderman."
~Senior Airman Wesley
Gray, 363rd Training Squad-
ron



"Spiderman."
~Army Staff Sgt.
Marshall Cowell, Recruiter

General activities

Women only self defense class

Harley Elmore of Warrior's Way Academy will conduct a women's self defense class June 8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the community center. This class is free for women ages 16 and up. Those interested must sign up by Wednesday. Slots are limited, and any cancellations must be made at least 48 hours in advance. For registration information, call 6-3866.

Second annual build-a-boat race

The build-a-boat race will be held June 15 at the main pool. Races start at 10:30 a.m. Participants must register by June 10. For more information and registration, call 6-3866.

Pool hours of operation

The main pool and Bunker Hill Water Park will be open from Memorial Day until Labor Day. Capehart Pool will officially open June 7. Season pool passes are available at any of the pools during normal hours and at outdoor recreation, the ITT office or the youth center. Pass prices are \$30 for an individual pass and \$60 for a family pass. Daily fees are \$2 for people age 16 and older and \$1 for people age 15 and under. For information about water aerobics, call 6-7491. For information about lap swimming, call 6-6460.

Main pool – 6-6469

Monday-Friday, 1-7:45 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday, noon-7:45 p.m.

Capehart pool – 6-4281

Everyday, noon-7:45 p.m.
Weekends only after Labor Day.
Family swim time Monday and Tuesday.

Bunker Hill water park – 6-4161

Thursday-Tuesday, noon-7:45 p.m.

Upcoming trips

Information, tickets and tours will host a June 22 trip to Hurricane Har-

bor Water Park. The cost of \$30 per person includes round-trip transportation and water park admission. Those interested must register by June 18.

Club activities

Membership Appreciation Night at the officers club

The officers club invites club members to come in for Membership Appreciation Night Thursday from 5:30-8 p.m. Club members can eat for free, while spouses pay \$3.50, and children pay \$1.50. All ranks are welcome. For more information, call 6-2083.

Latino Dance Night

The enlisted club will host Latino Dance Night Monday from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Free food will be served. For more information, call 6-2083.

Officers club game league

The officers club game league holds tournaments in 9-ball, cricket, shuffle board, foosball and crud starting at 6:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month. Food and beverages are 15 percent off during league play. Prizes will be awarded. For more information, call 6-6460.

Big Bucks Club drawing

Sheppard club members are eligible for the Big Bucks Club Card drawings held every Friday from 6-7 p.m. at the officers club or enlisted club.

Sunday brunch

The officers club will host a Sunday brunch June 9. Four seating times are available at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$13.95 for members, \$16.95 nonmembers and \$7.95 for children ages 5-12. Reservations are required. All ranks are welcome. Call 6-6460 for reservations.

Latino Dance Night

The enlisted club will host Latino Dance Night June 3 from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Free food will be served. For more information, call 6-2083.

At the Flicks

Friday 6:30 p.m.

Murder by Numbers

Friday 9 p.m.

National Lampoon's Van Wilder

Saturday 2 p.m.

The Sweetest Thing

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Changing Lanes

Saturday 7 p.m.

The Scorpion King

Sunday 2 p.m.

Changing Lanes

Sunday 4:30 p.m.

The Scorpion King

Thursday 6:30 p.m.

The Scorpion King

This schedule is subject to change without notice. For movie information, call 6-4427.

The Sweetest Thing (R) – Cameron Diaz, Christina Applegate – When it comes to dating, Christina Walters has a golden rule, avoid looking for Mr. Right and focus on Mr. Right Now. Her rule is good until she unexpectedly meets Peter.

Changing Lanes (R) – Ben Affleck, Samuel L. Jackson – One day in New York, Bavin, a young lawyer, and Doyle, a businessman, share a small automobile accident. Their mutual roadrage triggers a chain of events that escalates into a feud.

Murder by Numbers (R) – Sandra Bullock, Ben Chaplin – A tenacious homi-

cide detective, Cassie, and her new partner, Sam, become pitted against two high school students as they try to solve a murder case.

National Lampoon's Van Wilder (R) – Ryan Reynolds, Tara Reid – Van Wilder catches the eye of Gwen, a student journalist who's determined to expose the truth beneath Van's wilder exterior.

The Scorpion King (R) – The Rock, Kelly Hu – In the notorious city of Gomorrah, an evil ruler is determined to kill off the nomadic people of the desert. Remaining tribes must unite against him.

Chapel Schedule

Student programs

Tuesday, 11 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., chapel rope meeting, North Chapel

Saturday, 5 p.m., Solid Rock Cafe, South Chapel

Sunday, 5 p.m., Student bible study and activity night, North Chapel

Catholic activities

Mass

Saturday, 5 p.m., North Chapel

Sunday, 9 a.m., North Chapel

Sunday, noon, North Chapel

Mon.-Fri., 11:30 a.m., North Chapel

Religious education

Sunday, 10:20 a.m., classes for preschool through adult, Bldg. 962

Reconciliation

Saturday, 4-4:30 p.m., North Chapel

Protestant activities

Worship services

Saturday, 6:30 p.m., Holy Eucharist with Praise and Worship, South Chapel

Sunday, 10:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Hospital Chapel

Sunday, 10:30 a.m., Inspirational Gospel Service, South Chapel

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Protestant Community Service, North Chapel

Religious education

Saturday, 5:30 p.m., Growing in God's Grace, South Chapel

Sunday, 9 a.m., classes for ages 3 to adult, Bldg. 962

Bible studies

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., South Chapel

Thursday, noon, South Chapel

Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Protestant Women of the Chapel, Bldg. 962

Saturday, 6:30 a.m., Protestant Men of the Chapel Bible study

Second Saturday of month, 8 a.m., Protestant Men of Chapel breakfast

Lay-led faith groups

Islamic activities, Friday, 1:45 p.m., South Chapel

Jewish activities, call Maxine Simpson, House of Jacob Synagogue at 322-4177

Latter Day Saints, Sunday, 2 p.m., Hospital Chapel

Mystic Grove Pagan Study Group, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Bldg. 962, call Kalista at 6-4370

For more information, call the base chapel at 6-4370

PROMOTION

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selections is less than 1 percent of the eligible population," she said. "Waiting as long as they can allows the Air Force Personnel Center to get a select list that mirrors what it would look like if 100 percent of the eligibles had tested. This ensures the Weighted Airman Promotion System continues to be fair and equitable for all NCOs competing for promotion."

It is a process, added Chief Dockery, that will allow flexibility for all involved.

"It's better to get the majority of nonweighables taken care of as quickly as possible because as soon as this release is finished, we'll begin spinning up for the staff sergeant release," Chief Dockery said. "Anytime we can change the system to allow commanders and individuals a little bit more flexibility, we gladly do that."

Besides expanding the testing window, Air Force Personnel Center officials allowed individuals deploying on lengthy temporary duty assignments an opportunity to test earlier than the 10-day window currently authorized.

Chief Dockery emphasized that while the release of names will be delayed, technical and master sergeant promotees will begin sewing on their new chevrons Aug. 1 as scheduled.



Machine pitch

The Yankees, a team in the Machine Pitch Division, pose for a team photo. The Machine Pitch Division is made up of players, both boys and girls, ages 7 – 8 years old. It is the next level in young-player development after tee-ball. Players hit from a pitching machine 30-40 feet away operating at 32-46 mph, simulating the throwing action of a pitcher. Any parent whose child might be interested in playing machine pitch should call the youth center at 6-2342 for more information. (Courtesy photo)

Sports shorts

Closing ceremony

The May Fitness Month Closing Ceremony will be held today from 4-5:30 p.m. at the south fitness center. Trophies and medals will be given out to winners from the events. Drawing for prizes and completed stamp cards will be collected for grand prize and other prizes.

For more information, call 6-2022 or 6-2972.

Colorama tournament

There will be a colorama bowling tournament Saturday at 7 p.m. at the south bowling lanes. Participants can bowl with lights out and knock down glowing colored pins to win cash. For more information, call 6-2170.

Golf course events

Wind Creek Golf Course holds many tournaments, clinics and lessons each week. For more information on these events, call the golf course at 6-6369.

Sports

Squadron cardio combat

The fitness centers invite all squadron members to participate in squadron cardio combat. By participating in individual exercise regimes, anyone can track their workouts and score points for their squadron. For more information, call the south fitness center at 6-2972.

Aerobics classes

The aerobiccenter is located in the south fitness center and offers coed aerobics classes seven days a week. Classes are offered as early as 5:30 a.m. and as late as 7 p.m. in low impact, intermediate and advanced exercise, including floor and step exercises, muscle sculpting and

kickboxing. Call 6-2972 for specific times and classes.

Yoga-pilates classes

The south fitness center is now offering yoga-pilates classes Monday and Wednesday at 10:15 a.m., Wednesday at 5 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday at 4:15 p.m., Thursday at 6 p.m. and Saturday at 3 p.m. For more information, call 6-2972. All classes are free.

Return to fitness prescription program

Fitness programs are now available for adults over 50. Classes are available Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8-9 a.m. at the south fitness center. For more information, call 6-2972 or 6-7491.

***If you participate in base intramural sports, get your team some recognition. Write a sports story and send it to
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STANDARDS

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accountable for.

Most of the men and women on this base are straight out of high school, some still immature and some simply looking for direction.

One might conclude that their level of maturity prevents them from comprehending the need for a values system because they do not have the "real-world" experiences that others have had.

Some say maturity comes with age; I say it comes with experience.

Everyone comes from a different background and has walked in a different pair of shoes. The people looking for that push in the right direction need leadership. Leaders who are capable of treating them like adults, and most importantly, as brothers and sisters in blue.

We may be students, but we are still your brothers and sisters. We are all fighting for the same thing. We must always treat each other as teammates.

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